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Hi Brad & Jeff,

We have a good start on the review of Western Clay's recent request to amend the existing Notice of Intention (mine permit document), but we have not yet finalized our review comments. I am working with Corey Thurston on a new reclamation cost estimate that will be the basis for an updated reclamation bond amount.

The Division required the amendment due to the existing Notice (plans) being out of date and the periodic need to re-evaluate the reclamation surety. However, you also proposed an expansion of disturbance. In talking with Corey Thurston, I understand that Western Clay's need for expansion is not immediate, but that you want to be able to expand in the relatively near future.

Considering you have an existing permit, we will focus on making sure that the Division has adequate information and bond to possibly allow approval of the proposed expansion first if the rest of the Notice review is still in progress.

Either way, I will prioritize my review of Western Clay's permit during the rest of this week, and hopefully you will see our comments requiring additional information in the next week or so.

Let me know if you have questions. Thanks.

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